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# IS STRIBKEN DEAD

Former Comptroller of Equitable Life Assurance Society Drops In His Tracks.

Was Involved in Big Financial Scandal and Under Numerous Indict-

New York,-Thomas J. Jordan, for merly comptroller of the Equitable Life Assurance society, dropped dead of heart disease Tuesday in the Wall street station of the subway. His death was attended by tragic circumstances. Mr. Jordan had left his son Frank B. Jordan, only a moment before, and a messenger overtook the young man on the street and informed him of his father's death. The son was overcome with grief.

It was in the course of the Armstrong committee insurance investigation that Mr. Jordan's name came prominently before the public. It was brought out then that Comptroller Jordan had socured loans aggregating \$685,000 for mself and James W. Alexander, former president of the Equitable, from the Mercantile Trust company, and that these loans had been covered up in the books of the company. This \$685,000 came to be known as the "yellow dog" fund.

A desire was expressed by the Armstrong committee that Jordan appear before the committee and explain his financial mangement of the Equitable, but the process severs were unable to locate Mr. Jordan.

#### SHOOTING IN CHINATOWN.

Two White Men Wounded and One Dead Chink the Result of a Lively Fusilade.

Philadelphia,-One Chinaman was killed and two white men injured Tuesday in a pistol fight in Chinatown, the result of a quarrel among a group of Chinamen. A number or Chinese who had been playing cards, entered a restaurant and shortly afterwards began a quarrel. They ran into the street, firing. At first it was believed that another Tong war had broken out and everybody in the street ran for shelter. Bullets flew thick and fast, and Abraham Dunham, a carpenter working nearby, was struck by a bullet.

After the firing ceased the fighting made three arrests. The white men are not believed to be seriously in-

#### Denies That Japanese Want the Philippines.

London.-Right Rev. William Awdry, Anglican bishop of South Tokio, in a long letter to the Times Tuesday morning repudiates the idea that the Japanese have any aggressive intentions toward the United States or elsewhere. He says that he should not have given this question a moment's thought but that the governor of the Bank of England, whom he personally met, was seriously anxious and full of questions on the subject. Bishop Awdry declares his conviction that the Japanese sincerely hope that the United States will keep a tight hold on the Philippine islands for many years.

The financial situation, he says, does not lead Japan to desire to assume fresh burdens.

He says that with Japan powerful and China soon to become powerful, insistence upon the policy of mutual exclusion is certain to make effective the cry of "the fareast for far easterners.

#### Count Penha-Garcia Pinked by Republican Adversary.

Lisbon.-There was a violent scene in the house of peers Tuesday during the consideration of the advance of money to the members of the royal which resulted in a challenge to fight a duel and acceptance. Alfonso Costa, the Republican leader, charged it was impossible to probe these scandals to the bottom so long as certain ministers who had been compromised in the past were sitting as judges. He named Count Penha-Garcia as such a minister, whereupon the challenge followed.

#### Even Hawaiian Lepers Will Salute the Fleet

Honolulu.-The lepers located on the island of Molokai have purchased a large quantity of daylight fireworks which will be used to salute the Atlantic battleship fleet as it passes the island. A large plece, which on its ex-plosion will form the word "Welcome," has been placed in a position of vantage. The refrigerator ship Glacier, now here, was in communication with the flagship Connecticut Tuesday by wireless. The Kahuku wireless stawireless. The Kahuku wireless sta-tion Tuesday night caught a message

## GIRL SHOOTS FATHER WHO ATTEMPTS MURDER

Bravely Uses Revolver to Save Lives of Her Mother, Self and

Del Monte, N. J.-Enraged by famfly troubles, Amos Polhamus attempted to murder his wife and four children Monday, but was himself prob-ably fatally shot by his eldest daughter, Helen, postmistress of this place. Polhamus expressed his intention of killing all the members of his famtly. Arriving at his home he seized a hatchet and struck Sarah, his 16year-old daughter, a glancing blow on the head, rendering her unconscious. At this juncture Helen appeared with the revolver, and as the irate man started upstairs with the avowed purpose of killing his wife, who was lying in bed with a baby, Helen shot him in the neck. He made a dash for the girl, who shot again, the bullet taking effect in the abdomen.

#### ELEVEN WERE DROWNED.

List of Rowboat Fatalities at Baltimore Increasing.

Baltimore.—The identification of one of the hats found near an over-turned rowboat after the storm of Sunday night, during which five men are known to have been drowned, leads to the belief that the list of fatalities will total eleven instead of nine. It developed on Monday that William Kirwan and George Gardner. Baltimore.-The identification William Kirwan and George Gardner, hearing cries for help, boarded a launch and headed for the row boat from which the cries came. In it they saw three women and three men. Before they could reach the row boat they saw it turn over, and when they came alongside all of the occupants had disappeared. One of the two women's hats picked up by Kirwan and Gardner and by them turned over to the police, led later to its identifi-cation by William Preis, who stated that the party in the row boat was made up of Antone, Joseph and Mary Rader, Mary and Emma Weider and Henry Douteusch, none of whom has since been heard from.

#### Taft Busy Writing Speech of Acceptance.

Hot Springs, Va.-Beginning the work of writing his speech of acceptance of the presidential nomination, to be delivered in Cincinnati on July 28, Judge W. H. Taft Tuesday made a careful study and comparison of the Democratic and Republican platforms adopted by the recent conventions. Injunction planks will receive the most attention, so much having been said on this subject, criticism from Democratic sources having been made on his record while on the bench in respect to the process of the injunction, and the two parties having are liable to play an important part in the campaign. Taft will declare his position on this question in forceful and unmistakable terms. Warner's notification speech will be so brief that it will not require over ten minutes in its delivery. speech of acceptance also will be short. The letter of acceptance will treat public questions at greater length and will not be forthcoming for several weeks after the ceremony of notifying the candidate has taken

#### National Forest Renamed in Honor of Cleveland.

Washington.-San Jacinto National crest in California wil hereafter be known as the Cleveland National forest. It has been so rechristened by President Roosevelt, in honor of the late President Cieveland, under whose administration the first national for-ests were created. In 1897, in honor of Washington's 165th birthday anniversary, and upon the recommenda-tion of the National Academy of Sciences, President Cleveland created thirteen national forests, containing at out 23,000,000 acres. The San Ja-cinto forest was one of the original thirteen so created.

#### Mrs. Belle Gunness Being Located by Country Detectives.

La Porte, Ind.-According to information received by Sheriff Smulzer, Mrs. Belle Gunness was discovered Monday in two cities, Portland, Me., and Rockford, Mich. The county commissioners decline to authorize the expenditure of any more money for running down worthless clues, The commissioners have about reached the conclusion of Sheriff Smulzer, Coroner Mack, Prosecutor Smith and the doctors who conducted the au-topsy that Mrs. Gunness lost her life in the fire which destroyed her home.

#### Climate of Panama is Not Fit for Soldiers.

Washington,-General Elliot, commander of the marine corps, at a conference with Secretary of War Wright, urged that the marines now in Panama be brought back to this county as soon as possible, on account of the climatic conditions on the isthmus. It is necessary, in the opinion of the officials here, to main-tain a force there of not exceeding of the 12000 now there. Secretary Wright will confer with the navy department.

Cowardly Murder of Man and Girl at Culbertson, Montana, to be Avenged by Law.

Victims Were Called From Their Home at an Early Hour in the Morning and Shot Down Because of a Quarrel Over Land.

Great Falls.-Sixteen arrests have been made at Culbertson, in connection with the claim jumping shooting affair that occurred there a few days ago. The shooting occurred over a squatter's claim which had been located by Walter Long, and later taken up by John A. Hayes, on the ground that Long had abandoned the claim. Long and some of his friends warned Hayes to leave within twenty-four hours, according to the evidence at the coroner's inquest, and when he returned they attacked the cabin in which he lived, killing Hayes and his 11-yearold daughter.

At the inquest Mrs. Hayes positively identified Walter Long and his brother Milo as among the attacking party. She said that the attacking party

came to the cabin at 1:30 in the morning. Hayes, who was on the watch with one or two of his neighbors, called out, asking what was wanted. The reply was a volley of shots.

Hayes and his force replied with 'revolvers, but at the next round from the attacking party, Hayes received a bullet through the chest. He lived about five minutes, and another bullet went through the cabin and struck his daughter Augusta, who died before a physician could reach the scene. The coroner's jury found that the shooting was done by Milo Long, Walter Long, Charles B. Gamble, George D. Isbell, Tucker C. Moore, John L. Johnson and others unknown.

It was believed there were about twenty in the party. Sheriff Small of Valley county, has placed these and ten others under arrest, and they are now in the county jail. There is a very bitter feeling over the affair, and further trouble is feared.

#### OBALDIA IS PRESIDENT.

Unanimously Chosen Chief Executive of the Panama Republic.

Panama.—The presidential election throughout the isthmus of Panama passed off without disturbance. Jose Domingo de Obaldia, formerly minister to the United States and acting president during the Amador, was elected president. The supporters of Richardo Arias, who recently withdrew his candidacy, decided not to vote," and as a consequence no opponent to Senor Obaldia was put in nomination.

Notwithstanding this, a large number of voters registered their choice and demonstrated the overwhelming majority of Senor Obaldia's supporters. From all parts of the republic news has been received here that the elec-tion was carried on in an orderly manner and that Senor Obaldia received all the votes cast.

#### Says the Farmer Will Reap First Benefit of Returning Prosperity.

New York.-It will be the farmer of the United States and not the capitalist who will reap the first and greatest benefit of the tide of returning prosperity, is the opinion of Stuyve-sant Fish, former president of the Illinois Central railway, who with Mrs. Fish sailed for Europe Saturday. He said that while the crops will be in great volume this fall, and the resources of the railroads will be taxed to their capacity in removing them, it will be the farmer and not the railroad that will gain.

#### Democratic Delegates Injured In an Automobile Accident.

Kansas City.-George Rush and John E. Egan, lawyers and members of the Tammany hall, returning from the Democratic national convention at Denver to their homes in New York, were injured in an automobile accident here late Saturday. Rush's left arm was broken and Egan suffered the fracture of the bones of one foot. Their condition is not serious, and they will, it is said, be able to resume their journey soon. They were taken to a hospital for treat-

#### Fighting to Save Babies.

Chicago.-To save bables' lives, the city council of Chicago has made a special appropriation of \$10,000. Intestinal diseases among infants, caused chiefly by the hot weather, have been of such frequent occurrence in Chicago that, according to reliable figures, the deaths of babies due to these complaints this year will reach the startling total of 31,414. One hundred physicians will be employed to disseminate information concerning the causes and prevention of summer sickness among infants.



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